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FROM COLLAGEN-BINDING PROTEINS AND METHOD
OF IDENTIFICATION AND USE

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Official Action dated September 17, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as indicated in the marked-up version of the amended claims enclosed as **Attachment A**. A clean copy of the amended claims is submitted herewith as **Attachment B**.

REMARKS

By this amendment, minor amendments have been made to Claims 1 and 23 which merely clarify the claims and put them in more suitable proper form so as to overcome certain objections of the Examiner without affecting the scope of those claims. In addition, Claims 31 and 32 are canceled without prejudice. For the reasons as set forth herein, Applicants submit that the invention as presently claimed is not anticipated or made obvious by the cited references and is in condition for immediate allowance.

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